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SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF FISHERY ISSUES WITH SOVIET
FISHERY OFFICER

REF: TOKYO 11511, MOSCOW 05066, STATE 082233

1. DELAY BY SOVIETS IN APPROVING JAPAN-SOVIET JOINT
FISHING OPERATIONS MAY BE RESPONSE TO IMMINENT
RESUMPTION OF TALKS ON JAPAN-CHINA PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP
TREATY. THIS WAS MESSAGE PASSED BY SOVIET EMBASSY
FISHERY OFFICERS TO FISHATT DURING INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS
ON NORTH PACIFIC FISHERIES. SOVIET OFFICER INFERRED
THAT APPROVAL OF JOINT FISHING OPERATIONS MIGHT WELL
INCLUDE CONSIDERATIONS OTHER THAN FISHERIES SUCH AS PFT.

2. IN REFERENCE TO HIGH SEAS SALMON FISHING, HE SAID
THAT SOVIETS BELIEVE JAPAN IS TAKING TWO TO THREE TIMES
SALMON QUOTA ALLOTTED THEM EACH YEAR, THOUGH NO PROOF
OF THIS ALLEGATION IS AVAILABLE. HE SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY
OF NO SALMON QUOTA FOR JAPAN NEXT YEAR BUT THAT DECISION
ON WHETHER TO NEGOTIATE WITH JAPAN NEXT SPRING ON THIS
ISSUE WOULD BE LEFT OPEN UNTIL NEXT YEAR.

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3. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT MULTILATERAL DISCUSSIONS ON
NORTH PACIFIC SALMON COULD GET UNDERWAY LATER THIS YEAR.
FISHATT RESPONDED THAT TO BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE USG HAD
SOME RESERVATIONS ON SOVIET SALMON PROPOSALS BUT THAT HE
DID NOT KNOW PRESENT STATUS OF USG RESPONSE TO SOVIET
INVITATION. FISHATT SAID THAT GENERAL FEELING OF MANY IN

U.S. IS THAT SOME KIND OF SCIENTIFIC FISHERY ORGANIZATION IS NEEDED IN NORTH PACIFIC, ONE THAT WOULD INCLUDE ALL NATIONS HAVING AN IDENTIFIABLE INTEREST IN FISHERIES TO FACILITATE EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC VIEWS AND FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS. THIS MIGHT BE SIMILAR TO ICES OF NE ATLANTIC. SOV FISH OFF INDICATED THAT SOVIETS WOULD BE MUCH IN FAVOR OF THIS BUT THAT SOME ARRANGEMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE TO DEAL WITH ROK.

4. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF JULY 7, MOFA SOVIET DIVISION OFFICER HAD DIFFERENT INTERPRETATION OF SITUATION. HE SAID IT WAS MOFA VIEW THAT DELAY IN APPROVING JOINT FISHING OPERATIONS WAS NOT RPT NOT RELATED TO PFT; INSTEAD, BUREAUCRATIC MANEUVERING IN MOSCOW WAS LIKELY CAUSE. MOFA OFFICER ASSERTED THAT JOINT FISHING OPERATIONS WERE FAR MORE BENEFICIAL TO SOVIETS THAN TO JAPANESE, AND HENCE THIS WAS NOT AN AREA OFFERING ANY LEVERAGE TO SOVIETS.

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